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Request for 4-Month Extension & **Response to Restriction Requirement**

This is in Response to the Office Action mailed on 4/17/2003. Applicants hereby request a 4-month extension for responding and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee for such extension, and any other fee which may be due in this case at this time, to Deposit Account No. 01-2315. The new deadline is now 9/17/2003, and this response should be considered timely filed.

Election: Applicants elect Group II (claims 18 - 37).

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at any time if a telephone conference might expedite prosecution.

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